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Saturday, 6 January 2018

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Monday, 8 January 2018

Official meetings

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10:00 to 11:30 — Conference Room 11

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2018 regular session

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Informal briefing

Monday, 15 January 2018
15:00 Conference Room 4

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15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

Interactive dialogue among Member States on the forthcoming review of the working methods of the Commission (closed)

Fifty-sixth session
Monday, 29 January, to Wednesday, 7 February 2018

Monday, 29 January 2018

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 4

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United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board

Friday, 12 January 2018

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Informal briefing

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Security Council

[archived video]

8152nd meeting

The situation in the Middle East

The agenda was adopted.

The President invited the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Tayé-Brook Zerihoun, Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Zerihoun.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, France, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kuwait, the United Kingdom, Peru, Sweden, the Netherlands, Poland, Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, China and the Russian Federation; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Kazakhstan.

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09:30	8153rd meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo	
	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (S/2018/16)	
Morning (following the 8153rd meeting)	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	MONUSCO (S/2018/16)	
	Other matters	
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Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2018 regular session

Monday, 29 January, to Wednesday, 7 February 2018 Conference Room 1

Friday, 23 February 2018 Conference Room 2

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Commission for Social Development
Informal briefing

Monday, 15 January 2018

15:00 Conference Room 4

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All are invited to attend.

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

Interactive dialogue among Member States on the forthcoming review of the working methods of the Commission (closed)

Fifty-sixth session
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10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 4

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Executive Board

Friday, 12 January 2018

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Informal briefing

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On: (a) Plan for global thematic evaluations, 2018-2019; (b) Road map to a revision of the evaluation policy of UNICEF; and (c) Evaluation reports and management responses.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
First regular session 2018

Monday, 22, to Friday, 26 January 2018 Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 9 January 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8153rd meeting

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (S/2018/16)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Jean-Pierre Lacroix, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Lacroix.

Statements were made by the representatives of France, Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, the Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, Peru and Kuwait.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

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Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Forthcoming other meetings

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Thursday, 11 January 2018

15:00 to 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

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Group of 77 (ceremonial meeting to mark the formal handover of the chairmanship of the Group of 77 from the Republic of Ecuador to the Arab Republic of Egypt) (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 12 January 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

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2. Peace consolidation in West Africa

   Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel (S/2017/1104)

Followed by — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

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Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia (S/2017/1117)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Colombia to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Jean Arnault, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Arnault.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Peru, Sweden, the Netherlands, France, the United States, Côte d'Ivoire, Poland, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, the Russian Federation, Kuwait, China, Ethiopia and Equatorial Guinea; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Kazakhstan.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Óscar Adolfo Naranjo Trujillo, Vice-President of the Republic of Colombia.

8155th meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

Report of the Secretary-General on the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (S/2017/1113)

Assessment by the Chairperson of the African Union Commission and the Secretary-General of phase one of the reconfiguration of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (S/2018/12)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited Mr. Jean-Pierre Lacroix, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

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Statements were made by the representatives of Ethiopia, Peru, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Equatorial Guinea, Côte d'Ivoire and Kuwait; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Kazakhstan.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Sudan.

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Military Staff Committee

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1. The situation in Afghanistan (UNAMA)
2. The situation in Liberia (UNMIL)

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Trip reports by the Monitoring Team (MT)

Briefing on Secretariat support

Review of 1267 Committee pending matters (Holds List)

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Informal briefing

Monday, 15 January 2018

15:00 Conference Room 4

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First regular session 2018

Monday, 22, to Friday, 26 January 2018 Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Thursday, 11 January 2018

Security Council

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8156th meeting

Peace consolidation in West Africa

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel (S/2017/1104)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited Mr. Mohammed Ibn Chambas, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Security Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Chambas.

Statements were made by the representatives of Côte d'Ivoire, Sweden, Peru, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, the Netherlands, Equatorial Guinea and Ethiopia; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Kazakhstan.

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Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea

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Economic and Social Council
2018 session

Monday, 22 January 2018

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Thursday, 18 January 2018

15:30 to 17:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

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